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TELEGRAPH NEWS BRIEFLY TOLD.

CLINTON, IA.—Two masked men, at the point of revolvers, held up a gambling es-tablishment and robbed the innates, num-bering twelve, of money and valuables amounting to \$2,009.

SOUTH BEND, IND.—All the employes of the Singer Sewing Machine Works, num-bering more than 1,600, are on a strike.

BARCELONA-The strike situation here is becoming more grave. A state of siege has been proclaimed. The printers have tied up all the papers and none of them is appearing.

SAVANNAH, GA.—In the United States Court, Judge Emery Speeg overruled every plea in abatement filed by Captain B. D. Greene and the Gaynors to the indictment charging them with conspiracy against the Government.

NEW YORK-Edward R. Thomas, son of General Samuel Thomas, was exonerated from blame by the Coroner's jury, which investigated the death of 7-year-old Henry Theis, who was killed on February 12 by an automobile driven by Mr. Thomas.

SALT LAKE. UTAH-In the United States Court, Colonel Michael Shaugnessey, a mining promoter, filed a petition in bank-ruptey, giving his liabilities as \$187,000 and his assets as \$2,000. He was formerly United States Marshal of Utah.

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL. Annie Ander-ton, a Swedish girl, employed as a do-mestic was shot and probably fatally wounded by a masked footpad, who made

CAPE TOWN—Unprecedented floods have occurred in the southwestern portion of Cape Colony, resulting in great destruction of houses, bridges and railroad property. Twenty-five persons have been

MEMPHIS. TENN-Edward Moon, a green merchant, has filed a petition in bankruptey, showing liabilities at \$60,000. Its assets are considerably less.

PHILADELPHIA-John Griffith, a well-known civil engineer, and a man of wealth, committed suicide at his home in Jenkintown, a suburb, by blowing out his brains with a shotgun.

MARSEHLLES—A small coasting steamer, the Pionier, was wrecked during a snow-storm near Toulon Afterwards an explo-sion of gas on board the steamer killed the captain and a passenger and injured

LONDON-The Reverend Newman Hall, D. D., former chairman of the Congrega-tional Union, who has been ill for some time past, is said to be sinking.

EIGHT-HOUR LAW TO BE TESTED

First Suit in Missouri Calling the Act Into Question.

Macon, Mo., Feb. 17.—It was stipulated by counsel in the Circuit Court this afternoon that one of the eleven cases against the Kansas and Texas Coal Company for violation of the eight-hour law should be tried

tion of the eight-hour law should be tried at the present term, the other ten to be treated in the lower and Appellate Court as having been tried. An effort will be made to agree on the facis, so that the case will simply come up on the constitutionality of the act which was passed by the last Legislature.

Eleven informations were filed against the Kansas and Texas Company's superintendents, Edward and Arthur Vail, in December. The defense will be that the eighthour law is against public policy and unconstitutional; that it seeks to limit the moneymaking capacity of a willing worker and makes invalid all contracts made by coal miners and coal mine operators for work in excess of eight hours per day, while all such contracts made by all other men, in all other occupations, are legal and valid. It is the first action against a Missouri coal mine under the new law.

SENATE PASSED MERAMEC BILL

Authorizes Water Company to Take Water from Missouri River.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Washington, Feb. 17.-The bill which passed the Senate to-day to authorize the Meramec Water Company to take water from the Missouri is for the purpose of en-sendering power for heating and lighting.

A similar bill is pending in the House and Lawyer Waddill and Mr. Clardy of the Missouri Pacific have requested Repre-sentative Bartholdt to have action with-held until they can come to Washington and be heard upon it.

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The bill is now before the Committee on Commerce, of which Mr. Joy is a member. FAMILY RESCUED WITH LADDEDS.

Pittsburg Financier's New Home To-

Pittsburg, Pa., Feb. II.—Henry C. Mc-Eldowney, president of the Union Trust Company, his wife and their three chil-dren were rescued from their burning home early to-day by neighbors with ladders. Their handsome residence, into which they moved a few weeks ago, was totally de-stroyed, the loss on it and on its contents being nearly \$50,000.



HOBSON'S RETIZEMENT

Special Message Sent to Senate Urging Relief for Naval Constructor.

WOULD GRANT HIM FULL PAY.

Weak Eyes Said to Have Incapacitated Him for Further Duty-His Heroism at Santiago Is Recalled.

Washington, Feb. 17.-The President today sent to the Senate a mesage recommending the retirement of Naval Constructor Richmond P. Hobson and in accordance with this recommendation Senator

history of that trouble. It appears that in June, 1900, he was admitted to the Naval Hospital at Yokohama, Japan, while, according to the records, he suffered from weakness of the eyes and retinitis, which infirmities, it was stated, had been con-tracted while on duty in repairing ships at Hong-Kong. In January, 1902, he was examined by a retiring board, which decided that his incapacity was not such as to jus-

Duties Injurious to His Health. The President's message concludes as fol-lows: "Without suggesting that any injustice has been done by this finding, and while in effect pronouncing it correct, Mr. Hobson states in a letter addressed to the Secretary of the Navy February 5, 192, that the 'duty required in the construction that the 'duty required in the construction corps in connection with plans and bine prints and, and in connection with ispection and supervision in the glare at ship yards and navy yards, requires the kind of use of the eyes that is painful and injurious, and would tend to thwart their recovery; that the condition of his eyes has improved since his return to the United States while on special duty not in the usual line of the construction. usual line of work of the construction corps; but that under these favorable con-ditions the irritation and sensitiveness con-tinues and show that he should not undertake work that taxes the eyes in the fu-

He accordingly asks such legislation authorizing his retirement as for disablifties incurred in the line of duty. This request is approved by the Chief of Construction and by the Secretary of the Navy. 'In consideration of the foregoing, but

especially of the gallant service rendered by Mr. Hobson in the sinking of the Mer-rimac in the harbor of Santiago during the actment of a favorable measure for his re-lief."

The bill introduced by Senator Gallinger authorizes the President to "transfer to the retired list of the navy as for disabilities incurred in the line of duty, Navai Constructor Richmond P. Hobson, U. S. N., at the rate of pay provided by Section 1888 of the Revised Statutes in the case of officers retired on account of incaracity recers retired on account of incapacity resulting from long and faithful service."

GOT EVIDENCE BY TELEPHONE

Illinois Grand Jury Indicted T. A. Keene on Bigamy Charge.

Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Johnson received a telephone message yesterday from the Prosecuting Attorney of Vandalia, to the effect that the Grand Jury which is in session over there had found an indictment charging bigamy against Thom-as A. Keene, who is a prisoner at the Four Courts. The indictment was based on in-formation furnished by Colonel Johnson over the long-distance telephone.

Keene was arrested Saturday night on the charge of bigamy. It is charged that Kate Keene. was Miss Kate Schlattmann, he married Miss Jessie May Wilson of No. 1927 Sulli-Miss Jessie May Wilson of No. 1927 Sullivan avenue. The first marriage took place on September 4, 1859. Sluce then Keene has traveled about the country a good deal doing some work for newspapers and doing occasional turns on the vandeville stage.

Recently his wife left him and went to live with her parents at No. 1611 Blair avenue. Last summer he met Miss Wilson and on January 19 they eloped to Vandalla, Ill. Since that time they have been living in St. Louis. A few days ago Mrs. Keene No. 1 learned that her husband had married again. Saturday evening she found him at learned that her hussand had married again. Saturday evening she found him at the Wilson home and caused his acrest.

The local authorities thought best to institute the prosecution for bigamy at Vandalia, for the second marriage was performed there.

BAPTIST SCRIPTURE INSTITUTE. Three Days' Session at Bowling Green, Mo.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL Bowling Green, Mo., Feb. 17.-The winter ession of the Riverside Scripture Institute of the Baptist Church convened this after-

soon with the Second Baptist Church in this city. It will hold a three days' session. Its purpose is the preservation and cultiva-tion of the student habit for greater effition of the student habit for greater efficiency in Christian service. The programme contains many subjects for lectures and discussions of great interest to Bible students and those engaged in religious work. Among those participating in the work are many of the brightest ministers in Northeast Missouri, such as the Reverend Doctor W. Pope Yeaman, Doctor R. S. Duncan, Doctor W. J. Patrick, the Reverend James Reid, J. M. McManaway, R. E. McQuie, Sam Frank Taylor, J. D. Biggs, J. S. Eames, Doctor R. H. Jesse and a score of others. There is a large attendance of church people from neighboring counties and the proceedings are of unusual interest.

EMPEROR WILLIAM CRITICISED. Member of Reichstag Says He Par-

dons Duelists Too Freely. Berlin, Feb. 17 .- During the discusion today in the Reichstag of the military budget day in the Reienstag of the military budget Herr Lenzmann, Radical Association,moved that measures be taken to eliminate duel-ists from the German army. Herr Lenzmann said he thought that Em-peror William used his power of pardoning dueling among officers too freely, thus ren-dering the penalties attached to dueling filusory.

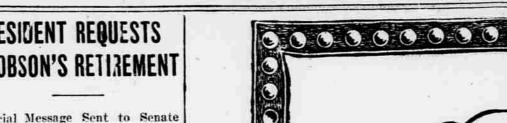
After various members of the Reichstag had assiled the theory that honor required dueling. General Von Gossler, the Minister of War, said that duels in the army were of war, said that dues in the army were diminishing, now averaging not more than four of five a year, and that there was no reason for the Reichstag to adopt special penalties against army officers who fought duels.

CALL FOR TWENTY PER CENT. World's Fair Directors' Third De-

mand on Subscriptions. The Board of Directors of the World's Fair issued a call for 20 per cent of the sub-Fair issued a call for 20 per cent of the subscriptions to the capital stock of the company, payable on March 12. The treasurer
was directed to give the stockholders notice of the call and the date that payment
was expected.

According to the by-laws of the Exposition no stockholder may cast a vote for the
new directors of the company, who are to
be elected in the near future, if such stockholder has falled to make any of the three
payments demanded by the three calls on
the subscriptions.

Shot for Throwing Rock. REPUBLIC SPECIAL.
St. Joseph, Mo., Feb. 17.—Edward Gorman huried a rock through a window in the home of Homer Smith, colored, to-night, and the salute was returned with a pistol shot. The ball took effect in Gorman's spine and his death is momentarilly expected. The men had had no previous trouble.





EAST SIDE NEWS.

FEVER-CRAZED MAN WRECKS PESTHOUSE.

Frank Coleman Attacks Attendants and Patients in a Smallpox Hospital.

Crazed with fever, Frank Coleman, a pafent in the East St. Louis pesthouse, atacked and overpowered the attendant and then chased the eight patients out of the shelter onto the open, snow-covered prairie. The patients were protected from the cuting cold winds only by their night clothes and were barefoot. It is feared that several deaths may result from the exposure that the smallpox patients were subjected to. Coleman reigned supreme for an hour before Supervisor Wheeler, his son, Doctor Smith, the assistant county physician, and Charles Hadfield arrived on the scene and captured him. During this time he had almost demolished the pesthouse, and Supervisor Wheelers day making repairs on the shelter.

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toiseman has been a patient in the pesthouse for three days, and was taken there
from No. 236 Broadway. East St. Louis,
where he roomed. He is 30 years old, is a
railroad man and possessed of much physical strength. Coleman was delirious all of
Sunday and required the constant attention of the attendants. Toward evening he
quieted, and it was thought that the worst
of the fever had abated. About 3 a. m.
yesterday Coleman rose suddenly from his
bed and, with a cry. attacked Lon Fischer,
the attendant. Fischer was no match for
the fever-crazed man and was knocked unconscious to the floor. Coleman then turned
his attention to the other inmates of the
pesthouse. In a few moments he had
chased all of the patients outside, and then
he proceeded in his work of demolishing the
building. In the meantime Attendant
Fischer had recovered consciousness and
telephoned to the police. The police notifled Supervisor Wheeler and Doctor Smith,
and with the assistance of Wheeler's son
and Charles Hadfield, Coleman was overpowered and was strapped to the bed. The
other patients were given immediate attentor, but Doctor Smith fears that the exother patients were given immediate atten-tion, but Doctor Smith fears that the ex-posure may go severely with them. Cole-man was taken to the County Farm Con-tagion Hospital at Belleville yesterday aft-

POLITICIANS ARE SURPRISED. Notified That Congressman Kera Will Not Be Candidate Again.

Press dispatches from Washington, nouncing that Congressman Fred J. Kern of Belleville will not be a candidate for reelection, caused somewhat of a surprise
among the East Side politicians yesterday,
although Congressman Kern had been reported some time ago as saying that he
would not permit his name to be used
again as a candidate for re-election.

The withdrawal of Congressman Kern
for a recomination leaves the fight open.
Yesterds about the only name which was
generally mentioned was that of Frank
B. Bowman, son of former Mayor John B.
Bowman of East St. Louis, Mr. Bowman
is an attorney, and is very wealthy, and
it is believed that he would make a formidable candidate for congressional honors.

Mr. Bowman is generally given credit
for the victory of Mr. Kern at the last
election, and, no doubt, did much to assist
the present Congressman, Mr. Bowman at
present is with a party of friends, whom he
is entertaining at his clubhouse near New
Athens.

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Prior to the nomination of Congressman he stated that he would not be a candidate. His friends believe that he will enter the field now, if he is asked to do so. It is highly probable that other candidates will announce themselves as soon as they can hear officially from Congressman Kern. As yet the Congressional Committee has not received official notice that Mr. Kern would not be a candidate.

East St. Louis Items. -The Young Ladies' Bible Class of the Summit Avenue M. E. Church will give a banquet Friday evening at Hotel Diehl. mit Avenue M. E. Church will give a banquet Friday evening at Hotel Diehl.

—Mr. and Mrs. Ferdinand Thoene of No. 805 Illinols svenue celebrated the fifth smiversary of their marriage Sunday evening.

—The Reverend John Chanler White of East St. Louis will begin a ten days mission in St. George's Episcopal Church next week.

—Pant St. Louis Lodge, No. 588, K. of P., held a meeting last night at Music Hall.

—Laurel Camp, No. 128, M. W. of A., will hold a meeting to-night in the Livingston building.

—C. A. Jones, a switchman employed on the Mobile and Ohlo Raifroad, had his left arm crushed while at work yesterday.

—The funeral of Frederick Watchel took place yesterday from the residence to St. Henry's Cemetery. yesterday from the residence to St. Henry Scemetery.

The funeral of Mrs. Katherine Hunter took place yesterday afternoon from St. Patrick's Church to St. Henry's Cemetery.

Deputy Coroner George W. Brichler held an inquest on the body of the young son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Pruess. The Jury returned a verdict of death from natural causes.

E. M. Armstrong of East St. Louis and Miss Mattle Malone of Dixon, Ill., were married in St. Louis Sunday.

Bergeant of Police Thomas Walsh has returned from San Francisco.

Lleutenant Robert Monroe of the National Stock Yards has returned from a Western trip.

Circuit Court Docket. Cases set for trial in the Circuit Court at

m Muskopf vs. estate of Peter Muskopf; appeni.
J. H. Conrades, chair, and P. F. C., vs. J. Jones: assumpett.
John Reifschneider vs. Glendale Coal Company; case. Christian Knebelkamp vs. William Lami; case, Chancery—Charles Taylor vs. Hester Taylor; divorce, Law-Margaret Tribout vs. William Skellett; assumpsit.

RAYMOND TOJO PLANS.

President of Winstanley Village Board Hopes to Get the Office Soon. Raymond J. Tojo of Winstanley Park, who was declared elected President of the Village Board at the close of the contest proceedings in the Circuit Court at Belleville, has hopes of soon taking the chair in the place of Henry J. Drummond, the present chairman of the Village Board, who claims his position by the count of the judges and clerks of election.

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RAYMOND J. TOJO. Who was declared elected president of the Village Board of Winstanley Park in contest proceedings in the St. Clair County Circuit Court.

majority in the latter's favor and he was declared elected. Mr. Drummond appealed the case to the Supreme Court, and pending the decision of that court he secured a temporary injunction against Mr. Tojo, preventing him from helding the chairmanship of the board or from interfering with Mr. Drummond as the chairman of the board. Mr. Drummond has held the chairmanship under the contest proceedings for a year.

BELLEVILLE.

SAVIGNAC AND MEYERS INDICTED. Accused of Robbing Stock Yards Bank -Other True Bills.

Sylvester Savignac and Charles Meyers, who were arrested on warrants charging them with robbing the National Stock Yards Bank, were yesterday indicted by the St. Clair County Grand Jury on this charge. The bail of the men is fixed at \$6,000 each. A preliminary hearing has been rendered unnecessary by the indictment. Bavignac and Meyers say that a mistake has been made and that they were not implicated in the bank robbery.

Homer B. Nash is charged with forgery in two indictments. He is also charged with robbing Wilson's saloon in Belleville.

Robert Fitzmorris and Albert F. Henderson are charged in three cases with burglary and larceny. They are accused of robbing three hardware stores in East St. Louis at various times shortly before Christmas.

Harry E. Dillon is charged with larceny and with receiving stolen property. The indictment charges him with stealing and converting to his use three head of cattle from the National Stock Yards.

Erasmus Treadway, a negro, is charged in an indictment with killing Charles Johnson, also a negro, in Brooklyn on the night of September 9 of last year.

Patrick Rooney and John Fogarty are charged with the larceny of wearing apparel from Timothy Desmond of East St. Louis.

Indictments for selling liquor without a license were returned against saloonkeepers in various parts of the county as follows: Louis Lehmann, Elward Wachter, Thomas Ruff, Michael Erb, John Adamson, Charles Danleis, Harry Dittle, Mike Martin, Joseph W. Erilinger, Joseph Richard, Frank Hartmann, A. B. Castleman, W. Phelps, Lincoln Wright, Charles F. Seib, Phil Traband, Mark Boden, Louisa M. Allen, John Vogt, Andrew Fischer, George Culli, Peterwin Wilson, Philip Frey, Madison Cosley, Joseph Geppert, eGorge Scannell, W. F. Clayton, John Palmier, John Stoecklein, Robert Voelker, Jesse Schultz, Helen Godin; ball 200 each. them with robbing the National Stock Yards Bank, were yesterday indicted by

Jerneyville Notes.

-The funeral of Mrs. J. J. Carroll took place at 10 o'clock yesterday morning at Jerseyville.

the Reverend Stephen Catt officiating. The burial was in Oakwood Cemetery. Mrs. Carroll died on Saturday from pneumonia, aged 79 years.

—The funeral of Mrs. M. Anderson of Delhi will take place at 2 o'clock this afternoon from the Delhi Eaptist Church to the Edwards Cemetery.

-Mrs. H. A. Shepherd of Jerseyville, whose death occurred on Monday of last week at Pasa-dena Cal., will be buried on Wednesday morning from St. Francis Xavier's Church on South Main street.

WANTS THE FRANCHISE SCHEDULE. Belleville Council Requests Traction
Company to Improve Its Service.
At the meeting of the Belleville City
Council last evening, a resolution was
passed empowering the City Attorney to
compel the Belleville Traction Company to
opperate cars according to the terms of its
franchise, through West Belleville.
Several matters of minor importance were
disposed of, among which was a franchise
to the Southern Railway to cross Catawba
avenue overhead.

Belleville News Notes.

-- The City Council hand a meeting peneroay afternoon.

-- Miss Clara Butler of Eparta is the guest of Miss Agnes Main. -Miss Colia Winter entertained friends Satur-day afternoon, -Union revival services will be held every evening this week at the Presbyterian Church. -The Honorable D. C. Smith of Ligocin, Ill., was the guest of Belleville friends Saturday

—Miss Nellie Branch has rone to Mount Ver-non to visit Miss Stella Himman, —Gustave Busch, son of Adolphus Busch of St. Louis, was in Belleville yesterday and held a conference with the business men in regard to the erection of a theater and lodge building on the site of the one destroyed by fire last Decem-ber.

JERSEYVILLE.

CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE. Jersey County Democrats to Attend Jacksonville Meeting. Jersey County Democrats will go to tend a meeting of the Congressional Committee of the Twentieth Illinois District.

mittee of the Twentieth Illinois District. Edward Burns of Jerseyville is a member of the committee as the representative of Jersey County.

The committee will name the date for the convention, as well as the representative from each county. The Twentieth District has some of the counties of the old Sixteenth, and is composed of Jersey, Greene, Scott, Calhoun, Pike, Morgan, Cass, Brown, Mason and Menard. The convention will likely have sixty-seven accredited delegates of which Jersey will have 6, Greene 10, Scott 4, Calhoun 3, Pike 12, Morgan II. Cass 6, Brown, 5, Mason 4, Menard 6. The present aspirants for the nomination are Congressman T. J. Selby of Calhoun, former Congressman W. E. Williams of Pike, Henry T. Rainey of Greene, Frank Robertson of Cass and W. H. Hinrickson of Morgan.

UNITED MINE WORKERS MEET.

Little Difference With Operators. REPUBLIC SPECIAL Peorla, Ill., Feb. 17.—All day long dele-gates to the thirteenth convention of the United Mine Workers of America for Illinois have been streaming into the city and to-night some 200 have arrived and are reg-

Illinois Association in Session-

to-night some 200 have arrived and are registered at the various hotels. The first session will be called to order to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock, the welcoming address being made by Mayor Bray Bryan.

The convention will be in session two weeks. The rest of this week will be devoted to their own business, which will include some slight changes in the constitution, and the week following will be devoted to the joint session with the operators of the State, who are here 100 strong. The number of delegates from the mine workers will be about 250. The officers of the association here are as follows: President, W. R. Russell, Danville; vice president, Thomas J. Reynolds, Carlinville; secretary-treasurer, W. D. R; an, Springfield.

For ninety days past the election of officers has been going on, by popular ballot, by the different lodges, and the resulting.

will be announced to morrow. The joint convention next week is for the purpose of adjusting differences between men and operators, but it is said that these differences this year are of small moment. The operators of the Peoria-Canton subdistrict held a meeting behind closed doors to-day for the purpose of arranging a schedule to submit to the miners next week.

ST. LOUIS SENDS ARKANSAS AID.

Business Firms Subscribe to the Drought-Stricken Counties. EPUBLIC SPECIAL.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Little Rock, Ark., Feb. 17.—Major W. H. Maynes, who went to St. Louis Thursday to solicit subscriptions for Governor Davis, to be used in relieving distress in the drought-stricken sections of North Arkansas, returned to-day, bearing checks from ten business firms as follows:

Lesser Cotton Company, 2509; Hamilton-Brown Shoe Company, 2509; Schwab Cloth-Ing Company, 260; Brown Shoe Company, 259; Rice-Siix Dry Goods Company, 259; St. Baer-Oliver-Swiger Clothing Company, 250; St. Baer-Oliver-Swiger Clothing Company, 250. Total, 32,000. The Allen-West Commission Company mailed \$359, to arrive to-morrow.

A WOMAN'S SUDDEN DEMISE.

She Found Man Dead and Passed

Decatur, Ill., Feb. II.—Mrs. Frank Moore last night called at the home of a relative, Anton Ehel, near Decatur, to ask concerning his Illness. She did not know that he was dead. She was told he had just died. In a few minutes she was taken Ill and died in half an hour. Paralysis was the cause of her death.

